

ERRORS/OMISSIONS/CLARIFICATIONS

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Acronyms and Abbreviations

Added: DL: Detection Limit

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Introduction

Deleted: references to 2nd Edition and clarified that these guidelines deal with production and harvest practices

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Scope

Added language to clarify that the appendices referenced in the “Guidelines” were not intended to be used to measure or verify performance but as an additional guidance for users.

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Water – Best Practices

Added language in the reclaimed water bullet to clarify that the most stringent standard (state, federal or Table 1) was to be followed as the metric for acceptance criteria.

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Table 1 Water Use- Rationale/Remedial Actions

Correction in paragraph 2 to reflect metric requirement outlined in paragraph 1 on what constitutes a monthly test

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Table 1 Water Use – Postharvest

Clarified acceptance criteria to reflect that alternative testing methodologies (allowed by the Guidelines) may report results as below detection limits rather than negative per 100ml.

Clarified that the acceptance criteria for chlorine in this section relates to multi-pass and not to single pass water systems.

Corresponding changes were made in the Post Harvest Water Use decision tree on pp 18

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Soil Amendments – Best Practices

Added language to clarify that growers must ask for and retain records verifying that compost has reached appropriate time/temperature requirements and that SOPs to prevent cross contamination are followed, from their compost suppliers.

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Table 2 – Soil Amendments

Compost and Heat Treated Soil Amendments Acceptance Criteria

Added “or <detection limits” to clarify that other acceptable testing methodologies may report negative results other than “Negative”. This Change is consistent with the water testing changes.

Note: These changes were also carried forward to the Decision Trees on pages 25 and 26

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Table 2 – Soil Amendments

Soil Amendments Not Containing Animal Manure

This section was revised to clarify that soil amendments that do not contain animal manure must have some documentation to that effect. A simple statement of ingredients or letter from suppliers attesting to the fact was thought sufficient by authors.

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Table 3 – Non Synthetic Crop Treatments

Added “or <detection limits” to clarify that other acceptable testing methodologies may report negative results other than “Negative”. This Change is consistent with the water testing and soil amendment changes

Note: These changes were also carried forward to the Decision Tree on page 30

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Production Locations – Best Practices

Pre-plant was changed to pre-season to reflect the original intent of authors and to clarify that production location assessments were not required prior to every planting

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Table 5 Animal Activity – Monitoring

Pre-plant was changed to pre-season to reflect the original intent of authors and to clarify that production location assessments were not required prior to every planting

Note: This change was also carried forward to the Decision Tree on pp 45.

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Table 6 Crop Land and Water Source Adjacent Land Use

Under Water Sources the reference to wells was deleted in the last row to clarify that this proposed metric was for surface waters only and that wells were addressed with the previous metric.

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Environmental Assessments – Issue and Best Practice

Added languages to clarify that environmental assessment were recommended prior to the first seasonal planting as opposed to before every planting.